

WASTELINE



Fauquier County Environmental Services

October 2020



Halloween Costume Recycling



U.S. consumers spent about \$3.2 Billion for Halloween costumes in 2019, many of which ended up in landfills. Halloween costumes are often made with low value materials or non-biodegradable polyester, and decorated with non-fabric items, such as feathers and plastic. This makes costumes harder to recycle, and these materials will not decompose in a landfill. When planning costumes, consider re-purposing old clothing, and using natural fabrics. Donate old costumes to schools and theater groups, or re-use them by changing accessories.

Fauquier County Environmental Services offers textile recycling at all collection sites. Bring in clean and dry items for drop-off. Stained or torn clothing is accepted. Purses, belts, and paired shoes in fair condition are accepted as well.

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DATES TO REMEMBER

10/3—Household Hazardous Waste Collection

10/12— Columbus Day Holiday—Office **CLOSED**

10/17— Household Hazardous Waste Collection

2020 Picnic and Rodeo



On Tuesday, September 22nd, Environmental Services held the annual department picnic and team-building rodeo, food provided by staff. Every year, staff participate in driving and equipment operating skill contests, as well as a catch-and-release fishing contest. Due to COVID-19, all activities this year were conducted according to proper sanitizing and social distancing procedures. Pictured above is staff member Julian McDowell, the winner of the Biggest Fish award.



Rinsing Recyclables

Rinsing recyclables is an important step in recycling properly. Unrinsed recyclables not only create an odor problem, but attract rodents and stinging insects as well. With fall arriving, bees, wasps and yellowjackets become aggressive and may sting workers or the public when they drop off materials.

In order to increase safety for everyone, please rinse and dry all bottles, cans and jars before recycling. We also recommend that everyone maintain awareness of stinging insects near recycling containers, and be cautious when placing materials in these containers.

CURRENT VACANCIES

Solid Waste Team Member (Part-time Hourly)

Apply online at www.fauquiercounty.gov

National Prescription Drug Takeback Day



October 24th, 2020 is the US Drug Enforcement Agency's National Prescription Drug Takeback Day. The DEA's website says that this day "aims to provide a safe, convenient, and responsible means of disposing of prescription drugs, while also educating the general public about the potential for abuse of medications." Prescription drugs may not be disposed of at landfills, transfer stations or convenience sites, which leaves the public searching for disposal options.

The DEA has a website page dedicated to this day of awareness and education, where the public can access information related to the safe disposal of prescription drugs. There is a searchable database of nationwide drug disposal locations, as well as information about safe home disposal methods. It can be found at :

https://www.deadiversion.usdoj.gov/drug_disposal/takeback/

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During inclement weather, call the office prior to travel for any inclement weather announcements.

Remote Sites Time Change



As of Monday, November 1st, all remote sites will change to the winter schedule. The remote sites will open Monday and Thursday from 9am to 5pm, except for the Remington recycling site, which will open Monday from noon to 5pm, remaining closed on Thursday. This follows the fall Daylight Saving Time change on Sunday, October 31st, so don't forget to adjust your clocks back one hour on that Sunday.

Hours of Operation

***Summer hours in effect**

***Winter Hours Begin Nov. 1st**

| | Corral Farm | Remote Sites | Remington Site |
|------------------|-------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| Monday | 7am-3pm | *11am-7pm *9am-5pm | *2pm-7pm *Noon-5pm |
| Tuesday | 7am-3pm | 7am-3pm | Closed |
| Wednesday | 7am-3pm | 7am-3pm | 10am-3pm |
| Thursday | 7am-3pm | *11am-7pm *9am-5pm | Closed |
| Friday | 7am-3pm | 7am-3pm | 10am-3pm |
| Saturday | 7am-3pm | 7am-3pm | 7am-3pm |
| Sunday | 7am-3pm | 7am-3pm | 10am-3pm |